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The purpose of the Dental Health Program of the Department of Health is to improve the dental health of the residents of New Jersey and to promote dental health care.

To achieve its purpose, the Dental Health Program receives funds from Title V of the Social Security Act and meets the Act's dental requirements by contracting with local health departments and other health service agencies to deliver dental services to eligible children.

Eligibility

The following are dental programs which have been contracted by the Dental Health Program and the eligibility requirements:

- The Camden County Health Department has a dental treatment program at the Camden Free Dental Clinic, 30 Penn Street in Camden. Children must be residents of Camden County and meet the financial eligibility requirements. There are no fees for services, however, there is a normal registration fee, which can be waived if the family is without funds.
- In Paterson, a treatment program is available at the Martin Luther King School through Fairleigh Dickinson University School of Dentistry. Children must be residents of Paterson, be enrolled in the public schools, and meet the financial eligibility requirements. There is no registration fee.
- In addition, dental care is included in the treatment provided at the Saint Joseph's Hospital and Medical Center in Paterson. Children must be enrolled in the Children and Youth Project. Information regarding

enrollment in the project may be obtained by contacting Saint Joseph's Hospital and Medical Center, Paterson.

- In Newark, dental treatment is included in the care delivered at the Newark Maternal and Infant Care Project, Broad Street, Newark. The project is operated by the New Jersey College of Medicine. Only persons enrolled in the project are eligible. Information regarding eligibility requirements for enrollment in the project is obtained by contacting the Newark Maternal and Infant Care Project.

In addition to the above mentioned programs, the Dental Health Program manages a dental trailer that moves around the state. The dental treatment provided is only for migrant children, whose eligibility is determined by the Department of Education, Title I/Migrant Program.

The Dental Health Program also provide consultation services to CP&P. For example, if a child under CP&P supervision is in need of special dental attention, the Dental Health Program may direct the Worker where the child is able to obtain the dental treatment needed.

Additional information regarding all of the dental health programs, eligibility requirements and locations may be obtained by contacting the Dental Health Program, Department of Health, P.O. Box 1540, Trenton, New Jersey 08625.